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**For:** GELS FOR ENCAPSULATION OF )  
BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend this application as shown herein.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.